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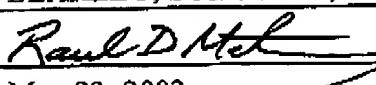
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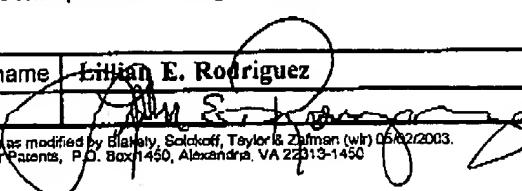
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 10, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the remarks that follow.

REMARKS

In this response, Applicants do not amend or cancel any claims. Applicants do not add any new claims. Accordingly, Claims 20-29 are pending.

Claims Rejected Under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

The Patent Office rejects Claims 20-29 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,477,413 to Watt ("Watt"). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

In order to anticipate a claim, the relied upon reference must disclose every limitation of the claim. Among other limitations, independent Claim 20 recites forming a performance circuit in a first well of a substrate, forming a protection circuit in a second well of a substrate separate from the first well, and coupling the protection circuit to the performance circuit (emphasis added).

Applicants submit that Watt fails to disclose all of these limitations.